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How in operation is a centralized [ ] which in certain cases will reveal whether or not a suspected source is selling identical information to more than one post or intelligence agency. [ ] should also make possible the identification of sources of fabricated intelligence.

In this connection the following source has been determined to be unreliable:

Titi Constantinescu (alias Tito Constantinescu, Peter Constantinescu, Petre Constantinescu, Petre Popescu, and Petre Bogdan) is peddling information on Rumanian emigres in Europe, as well as information received from refugees among Rumanian emigre groups, Western intelligence services, and at least one Communist-dominated country.

He was born October 29, 1910 in Buzau, Rumania. From 1925 to 1931 he attended the Rumanian Aeronautical Technical School of Medias. Between 1931 and 1934 he attended the School for Aviation Officers, Mihaia School of Firing and Bombardment, and the Buzau Aviation School of War. After taking the Bucharest Polytechnic School's course in electromechanics (1936 to 1941) he received his diploma as an engineer. In 1941 he was sentenced to a long prison term for Iron Guard activities. When an amnesty was decreed he managed to persuade a high-ranking member of the Communist-controlled Rumanian Security Police to withhold derogatory information from his files (regarding Iron Guard activities). As a result he was released from prison in 1946. Having abandoned the alias of Petre Bogdan, he was in July 1952 living in Salzburg under his own name. As late as February 1952 he was receiving mail at rented post office box No. 141, Hauptpostamt, Salzburg. His home address is Petre Constantinescu, bei Schoen, Auersbergstrasse 25/II, Salzburg, telephone 69.7.85. About 5 feet 8 inches in height, he is [illegible], has regular features, usually wears a beret, and has a weakness for women.

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A paid agent of Western intelligence services, he is considered unreliable because he will serve the highest bidder. He is associated with Ioan Cantacuzen, former member of the Rumanian Security Police, who has been reported as completely unreliable, since he engaged in intelligence activities contrary to the interests of the United States. It is also believed that subject has been directed by General Radescu to exploit his connections with the Western intelligence services. He has claimed high-level contacts with the Maria Sima faction of the Iron Guard, at the same time misrepresenting himself as a delegate of the Rumanian National Peasant Party. He is suspected of betraying a number of Rumanian friends to the Security Police. During 1951 he lived with Marguerite Crossnoff, aka Dorneanu (also known as Marietta Crossnoff), who, it is believed, assisted him in his "intelligence" activities. He has won the reputation of being an indiscriminate opportunist who will align himself with any and all groups. Joachim Vacarescu debriefs Rumanian emigres in the Graz area for Constantinescu.

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If approached by this source, the Officers in Charge are requested to report the circumstances to the Department. Available data on any other questionable sources should be submitted for a check of [redacted].

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